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AMENDMENT/REPLY SUBMITTED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted with a Request for Continued Examination and is responsive to the final Office action dated May 18, 2007, setting a three month shortened statutory period for response that expires on August 18, 2007. A formal Petition to extend the shorted statutory period by two months to October 18, 2007, or otherwise as necessary to avoid abandonment of the application, is appended, but the Office may consider this statement to be a substitute petition and authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 50-3141 in the event that the formal petition is missing or defective. Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on the next page. Remarks begin on page 9. This Reply contains no amendments to the specification or drawings. Admission of the amendment and allowance of the application in view of the remarks herein respectfully are requested.